

Governor Carney, State Officials Cut Ribbon on First Phase of Carvel State Building Renovations

\$4.5 million investment enhances security, improves employee and visitor experience

WILMINGTON, Del. – Governor John Carney, along with Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long, members of the General Assembly and members of his cabinet cut the ribbon on Tuesday to celebrate the completion of the first phase of renovations to the Carvel State Office Building in Wilmington.

*“The Carvel State Office building serves as the state’s primary administrative operations hub in Wilmington. Over one thousand individuals enter the Carvel State Office building each workday,” said **Governor Carney**. “The completion of this first phase of renovations to this building marks a milestone in our efforts to invest in our facilities, address deferred maintenance statewide and improve the environment for our employees and building visitors.”*

“The renovations to the Carvel State Office lobby and mezzanine include enhancements to security, improved traffic flow, reconfigured entrances and upgrades to the building HVAC systems. Informal meeting areas for employees and visitors have been added and Delaware scenes from local artists have also been incorporated into the project,” said **Office of Management and Budget Director Mike Jackson**. “I’d like to

thank Governor Carney and members of the General Assembly for their support of this project, and to all those who worked to complete these renovations.”

Security upgrades, including a new command center for Capitol Police will improve safety and security in the building. Brighter and more energy efficient LED lighting, replacement of building HVAC systems and designing areas for employees and visitors to informally gather will improve the building environment.

Opened in 1977, the Carvel State Office building is comprised of 302,500 square feet over twelve floors. The building houses operations for nineteen agencies, commissions and other elective offices.

The \$4.5 million project was designed by Studio JAED architects and GES Construction, Inc. served as the general contractor.

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